State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-NINTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2004

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1072

Introduced by: The Committee on Commerce at the request of the Public Utilities Commission

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions regarding the authority of the
- 2 Public Utilities Commission to impose civil fines.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 49-31-38 be amended to read as follows:
- 5 49-31-38. Any person who violates, neglects, fails, or refuses to comply with any of the
- 6 provisions of chapters 49-30 to 49-32, inclusive, 49-1A, 49-13, and this chapter, not otherwise
- 7 specifically penalized in those chapters, or who violates, neglects, fails, or refuses to comply
- 8 with any lawful order, rule, or regulation of the commission in connection with the regulation
- 9 of telecommunications companies, is punishable by a civil fine of not less than two hundred nor
- more than one thousand dollars for each offense.
- 11 Section 2. That § 49-31-38.1 be amended to read as follows:
- 49-31-38.1. Except as otherwise specifically provided or unless relieved from the
- 13 consequences of a violation of law, any telecommunications company subject to the provisions
- of this chapter, or whenever any such telecommunications company is a corporation, any
- director or officer thereof, or any receiver, trustee, lessee, agent or person acting for or employed

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- by such corporation who, alone, or with any other corporation, company, person or party, any
- 2 <u>person who</u> intentionally does or causes to be done, or intentionally permits or omits to be done,
- any act, matter or thing prohibited, required, or declared to be unlawful in chapters 49-7 to 49-
- 4 <u>1A</u>, 49-13, inclusive, and this chapter shall be punished or intentionally violates, or refuses to
- 5 comply with any lawful order, rule, or regulation of the commission, is punishable by a civil
- 6 fine of not less than five hundred nor more than five thousand dollars for each offense.